## IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 20, 1846. Submitted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. FAIRFIELD made the following

## REPORT:

[To accompany bill S. No. 54.]

The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Phillips, ask leave to submit the following report:

That, by the petition and accompanying evidence, it appears that Phillips was in the naval service of the United States in August, 1814, as an ordinary seaman, and was attached to the United States ship-of war Adams, then under the command of Commodore Morris. Said ship, at that time, was lying at Hampden, in the Penobscot river, where she had been driven by a British fleet. While aiding in removing the guns from the ship to the shore, for the purpose of forming a battery, Phillips was jammed between a gun and the waist of the ship, and his ankle fractured. A partial recovery from this injury enabled him to continue in the naval service for more than twenty years, maintaining the character of a good seaman. His age, however, and growing infirmity, compelled him, in 1843, to leave the service, and he is now residing with his friends, in poverty, and, under the disability aforesaid, able to contribute but slightly towards his support.

Under a commission from the Hon. Asher Ware, judge of the United States district court, Phillips was examined by two respectable physicians and surgeons at Portland, on the 22d of September, 1843, who report, as their opinion, that, in consequence of said injury, he was one half disabled from obtaining a living by labor. In conformity with which, the

committee report a bill in his favor.

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